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CAN'T BE DONE.

Mr. P. C. Jones is here. He promised to borrow sufficient money, West of the Rockey Mountains to refund the National Loan of Hawaii. But he didn't.

He crossed the Rockey Mountains and met his friends the Boston deacons, he saw Gorham Gilman, the "Star of Bethlehem," and he travelled to New York. He had with him Mr. Rithet, an Englishman from Canada, who, according to Mr. Jones is an expert borrower.

Alas! Jones and Rithet travelled and trotted in the East, but not a bean could the great financiers raise from the "mean" capitalists, East of the Rockey Mountains. Jones says, it was because he had no papers from Damon, showing his authority to borrow money. Damon emits one of his finest smiles and says, that Jones is welcome to go right ahead, and do all the refunding he can. His Exellency is even willing to see our heavy-weight ex-Minister of Finance, go into the spool and shuttle business again and get another financial lesson.

Joking apart, let us ask any fairminded man how this Government can expect to borrow money, and why any sane person in America or Europe should be found willing to loan money to Mr. Jones or any other agent of Dole's oligarchy.

Hawaii is now in the throes of a revolution. The Republic is tottering towards its final resting place, and to the honor of the men at its head, be it said that they are only too willing to step down and out and make room for a Government, which will be acceptable to the people, and at the same time have the welfare of all classes as their ultimate object.

The Hawaiian Republic cannot exist in its present form. We regret to a certain extent that the late of downfall stares our Administration in the face. The members of Mr. Dole's funny little Republic are good and true men in most points. They have not, however, got the people back of them and what is a Government against the people?

The situation to-day shows that an immense majority is opposed to the present Government. Their friends of old have turned against the "missionaries" to a man. The faithful Portuguese colony are tired of broken promises and stand united against Mr. Dole. The Catholics of all nationalities have felt the influ-

ence of our local A. P. A. headed by Chief Justice Judd and irrespective of political creeds they stand ready to down the Protestant Government which dares to bring religion into politics. The army is disgruntled and the case now to be tried before a military court will probably lead to an open rupture. The President and his Ministers are seeking the friendship of the Hawaiians but all they got is the "marble" heart. The Hawaiian can stomach everything from gin and poi to a kick. He cannot swallow Mr. Dole and the prospects of losing the independence of his country.

Under these circumstances can any reasonable man expect that an American syndicate will come to the front and open their coffers for the benefit of the Bunker Hill hero and pour their coin into Mr. Jones' ample lap?

It will be well for our financial friends, at the west or east of the Rocky Mountains to go slow and find out how the land of Hawaii lies, before they respond to the nasal tone of the bland Mr. P. C. Jones.

Hawaiian bonds may be good even if handled by Mr. Jones, and issued at 4 percent interest. At the same time inventors should get on to facts and that is what Mr. Jones does not give them.

The Jones official financiering and his refunding business are all talk. And what a lot of gas there is in our copious friend. Let Hawaii get on a sound basis, with a stable Government, and an administration entitled to the respect of the world and her credit will be all right and the special services of Mr. Jones unnecessary. Until then, our fair islands will remain in a constant state of bankruptcy and the people will be in the Consomme which Mr. Jones desires to skim.

THE LADIES OF THE CANSIBAL

On our first page will be found an article extracted from the Illustrated American, under the above caption. The name of the author is John C. Bowker, M. D.

It is a tissue of indecencies, untruths and vulgarity as ugly and uneuphonious as the name of the author himself. In all probability, if the idiot or fool who penned the lines ever visited this country, he associated himself solely with the low-down class, whose only enjoyment in life is to live in the slums of the old Cape Horn and the modern Japan Sea. He certainly never could have met with decent society here, or if he did, baving bummed off them to his fullest extent he turned around and libels them. It is this class of vipers who do so much to injure the fair fame of the Hawaiian race and their women.

Strangely enough when such eminent writers as Mark Twain, Charles Warren Stoddard, even Joaquin Miller, and Robert Louis Stevenson, write about us they dip their pens into mellifluous truth and not into putrid gall.

"Bowker" probably never knew that nearly all the leading families are intermarried with Hawaiians, or that the strongest, handsomest and best of the modern race to be found in the schools and colleges, and in the highest positions socially, commercially and in Government positions are either Hawaiians or halfcastes, and that the race—morally, physically and educationally—is progressing and not retrograding.

His last paragraph may be true in regard to a limited number of women, who are, or ought to be, on the registered list for special purposes, but happily for us who live here and intermsrry with them and raise children, we find it to be absolutely and maliciously untrue. Our census returns prove the fact that Hawaiian women are good child-bearers, and in the country apart from seaports and our garrison towns especially prolific.

Admitted that during the past few years, in Honolulu, there has been a largely increased mortality among Hawaiian infants of the poorer classes, that is not the fault of the Hawaiian mothers, but of the unfortunate conditions of a want of proper system of drainage and bad water, and the poverty inflicted upon the natives through land sharks and thieves and political persecutions.

No! "Bowker," our Hawaiian girls and women, the mothers of the future, are as healthy, strong and beautiful as any you can produce against them; and in tastefulness of dress, in gracefulness of deportment, in refinement of manners, and in brain capacity can discount the women of many a more ancient "civilized" country. In the reward of the survival of the fittest our Hawaiian girls will succeed in capturing the prize, and our present and future generations, when Hawaii's autonomy is an assured fact, will be the pride of the world.

THE CLAIMS.

In this thoughtless little community—of course the few brainy ones are excepted—there appears to be a very strong impression that because The Independent announced a few days ago that the claims against the Republic of Hawaii, made by certain foreign residents for incidents which happened some eighteen months ago, were about to be settled that all claimants interested in claims against this Government were to be immediately paid.

They are mistaken. They should study carefully the language used by this journal. Its information in regard to political matters invariably comes from very reliable sources, and it consequently endeavors to retain the confidence of its informants. It is not responsible for foolish misconstructions hastily arrived at by those incompetent to think for themselves.

We have before stated our impression that when the governments interested have passed upon the justice of the claims, and decided upon the amount of recompense, if any, to be awarded, the Hawaiian Government will be ready to accord to all interested their just dues. The principle of responsibility has first to be decided, and then each individual claim has to be considered on its own merits. Several nations and many persons are interested.

The Independent now says that in certain cases and with certain governments the principle of responsibility on the part of the Hawaiian Government for damages has been accepted, and that the details of arrangement, in a limited number of cases, are being carefully considered by the governments concerned. Until these details are arranged and until an absolute settlement is made,

no information will be given, or questions answered by the controlling powers in the amicable arrangement. Speculation and gossip may be rife, but investigations will be useless until the time comes when facts can be made public.

Diplomacy is somewhat of a different science from the ability of buying in a cheap market and selling the same goods at a higher rate. It requires a different cast of thought and action-perhaps occasionally, inaction would be a more appropriate word . The principle of small profits and quick returns, so useful in mercantile transactions, will not apply to the guidance of governments which are perpetual no matter what may be the transient changes of temporal authority. Diplomacy accepts as its motto "make haste slowly," and consequently ponders more over the future than of the present.

A commercial error may be corrected in course of time, a diplomatic error is irretrievable and fatal, Patience, therefore, gentlemen claimants. Abide your time. Ask no questions of any one as to how matters are progressing. Your official representatives will notify you when they think it necessary. Aloha.

St Louis College Awards

Through the courtesy of the Washington Legation, and our Foreign Office, Bro Bertram has at length received the Diploma and Medal awarded to St. Louis College at the Wold's Columbian Exposition It will be remembered that the award was made for excellency in progress in class work in maps, drawing and good penmanship. The Brothers and their pupils are to be congratulated upon this recognition of their valuable labors on behalf of Education.

The medal and diploma are on exhibition at the Pacific Hardware Store.

The Velocity in Port.

Our old friend Capt. Martin has again brought the Velocity safely into port. She brings no Chinese passengers but a full consignment of freight for Wing Wo Tai & Co. She made the passage in 54 days, and will be berthed at the Pacific Mail wharf, for a change, as soon as the Lillie Starbuck sails this afternoon. The vessel is undergoing fumigation.

BY AUTHORITY.

IRRIGATION NOTICE.

Holders of Water Privileges, or those paying water rates, are hereby notified that the hours for irrigation purposes are from 6 to 8 o'clock A. M. and 4 to 6 o'clock P. M. ANDREW BROWN,

Supt. Honolulu Water Works.

Approved: J. A. King,

Minister of the Interior. Honolulu, July 16, 1896.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the Stockholders of W. G. IRWIN & Co., LTD., held at its Office on WEDNES-DAY, July 15, 1896, the following persons were re-elected to serve as Officers during the ensuing year:

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Timely Topics.

Honolulu, July 21, 1896.

The immense fortunes that are now being invested in bicycle manufacturing in nearly all countries of the world, even including modernized little Japan, are thrilling to read of.

These little horse—destroying conveniences are now being manufactured by the millions instead of by the few hundreds of ten or fifteen years ago, and it is estimated by a cicylist authority that they are at least 7000 different patents and designs in connection with them.

But we note, in an English exchange, the curious fact that the palaces and parks of the die-hard aristocracy are gradually succumbing to the inevitable and passing into the hands of the cicyclist autocrats. The item informs us that Trafford Park, Sir H. de Trafford's seat near Manchester, has been purchased for £360,000, (\$1,800,000) by the syndicate which recently acquired the Dunlop Tyre and Singer Co. It is proposed to make the estate the seat of the cycle and rubber trade.

Now, we have made such a success of our different brands of wheels that our fame has gone abroad. We have our own predilictions in favor of a certain make, but, when, unsolicited, we received a consignment of a popularly favorite brand without a flaw, perfection itself, in strength, beauty and shape and manufactured by a worldwide known firm, we could not be discourteous enough to return them, without endeavoring to put them on the market. The fact is we have had six of those celebrated Zimmerman champion wheels for gentlemen sent to us, and we invite cyclists to call and inspect them and to use their own judgement as to whether they want them or not.

As they have been sent to us on consignment, we prefer to sell them and close the consignment, instead of returning them. We therefore offer them at \$75 each instead of at the regular price of \$100. We admit that they are beauties and we don't think they will be on our hands for many days, but as we have only half a dozen on hand, the first applicant will have his pick. They are first-class high grade machines and very tempting to experts.

The Hawaiian Hardware Co., L'a

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